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wherein each receiver can be driven by the carrier web via the packages.

--38. (new) Apparatus according to claim 32, wherein the receivers for the packages comprise a separate drive.

--36. (new) Apparatus according to claim 32, wherein the receivers comprise a separate drive for providing a velocity which is less than a transfer velocity, and that the transfer velocity is generated through contact between the packages and the carrier web. ia

--37. (new) Apparatus according to claim 32, wherein the pressure applying device is preceded by a moveable heating element with a contact surface, wherein the size of the contact surface between the heating element and the carrier web can be adjusted continuously between zero and a maximum value.

-- 38. (new) Apparatus according to claim 37, wherein the contact surface of the heating element has a convex shape.

--38. (new) Apparatus according to claim 32, further comprising a post-treatment unit having an electrically powered hot plate with a flat or concave hot surface and a controller which is adjustable to a nominal temperature.

--90. (new) Apparatus according to claim 39, wherein the flat hot surface (21) relates to a linear transport conveyor and the concave hot surface (21) relates to a circular transport conveyor for the packages (5) and that the length of the